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INSTALLATION OF TELEPHONE EXCHANGES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new telephone exchanges installed in West Bengal, Sikkim and NER during the last three years, district-wise and year-wise;

(b) the details of the telephone exchanges proposed to be set up during the years 2004-05 and 2005-06 in these States, district-wise;

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) The number of new telephone exchanges installed in West Bengal, Sikkim and NER during the last three years (i.e. 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05) district-wise and year-wise is given in Annexure-I.

(b) The details of the telephone exchanges proposed to be set-up during the year 2005-2006 in these States, district-wise is given in Annexure-II

(c) Already 6 exchanges have been commissioned out of 62 planned for 2005-06.

ANNEXURE-I

NEW TELEPHONE EXCHANGES INSTALLED DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS

STATE	Name of District	No. of Exchanges 2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	Total
West Bengal	Howrah	11	2	1	14
	Hooghly	8	2	2	12
	24 Praganas (S)	29	17	2	48
	24 Praganas (N)	26	10	10	46
	Kolkata	76	14	15	105
	Bankura	7	0	1	8
	Birbhhum	7	1	0	8
	Burdwan	16	2	1	19
	Coochbehar	1	4	2	7
	Darjeeling	2	2	0	4
	Jalpaiguri	4	3	0	7
	Malda	3	0	1	4
	Midnapur (East)	8	2	2	12
	Midnapur (West)	3	0	2	5
	Murshidabad	5	0	0	5
	Nadia	11	3	6	20
	Purulia	5	0	2	7
	Total	222	62	47	331
Sikkim	Sikkim (East)	2	0	0	2
	Total	2	0	0	2
Assam	Bongaigaon	0	1	0	1
	Dibrugarh	6	2	2	10
	Jorhat	1	0	0	1
	Kamrup	3	4	0	7
	Nagaon	10	1	1	12
	Sibsagar	5	0	0	5
	Golaghat	5	1	0	6

Kokrajhar	3	3	0	6	
	Nalbari	2	1	0	3
	Goalpara	3	1	0	4
	Barpeta	4	2	0	6
	Dhubri	5	2	0	7
	Tinsukia	4	1	0	5
	Morigaon	2	4	0	6
	Hailakandi	3	0	0	3
	Karimganj	1	2	0	3
	Cachar	1	0	0	1
	Darrang	2	0	0	2
	Lakhimpur	1	1	0	2
	Sonitpur	1	0	0	1
	Total	62	26	3	91
Nagaland	Longleng	1	0	0	1
	Kohima	0	1	3	4
	Dimapur	0	1	0	1
	Total	1	2	3	6
Arunachal Pradesh	Papum Pare	2	0	0	2
	Dibong	1	0	0	1
	Velley Lower East Siang	3	0	0	3
	Total	6	0	0	6
Manipur	Thoubal	1	0	1	2
	Tamenglong	1	0	0	1
	Senapati	1	1	1	3
	Churachandpur	0	2	0	2
	Chandel	0	0	1	1
	Total	3	3	3	9
Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	2	0	1	3
	West Khasi Hills	0	0	2	2
	Jaintia Hills	4	0	0	4
	RI Bbhoi	0	0	1	1
	West Garo Hills	0	1	0	1
	East Garo Hills	0	0	2	2
	Total	6	1	6	13
Mozoram	Aizawl	1	0	0	1
	Kolasib	1	0	0	1
	Total	2	0	0	2
Tripura	Dhalai	1	0	0	1
	South Tripura	2	1	1	4
	North Tripura	2	1	0	3
	West Tripura	1	2	3	6
	Total	6	4	4	14

ANNEXURE-II

No. of Exchanges proposed to be set up during the year 2005-06

STATE	Name of District	No. of Exchanges proposed to be set up
West Bengal	Hooghly	1
	24 Praganas(S)	18
	24 Praganas(N)	12
	Kolkata	19
	Total	50
Arunachal Pradesh	West Siang	1
	Total	1
Megalaya	Jaintia Hills	1
	East Khasi Hills	1
	Total	2
Tripura	West Tripura	1
	South Tripura	1
	Total	2
Assam	Nalbari	2
	Tinsukia	1
	Sibsagar	1
	Cachar	2
	Bongaigaon	1

Total	7
Grand Total	62